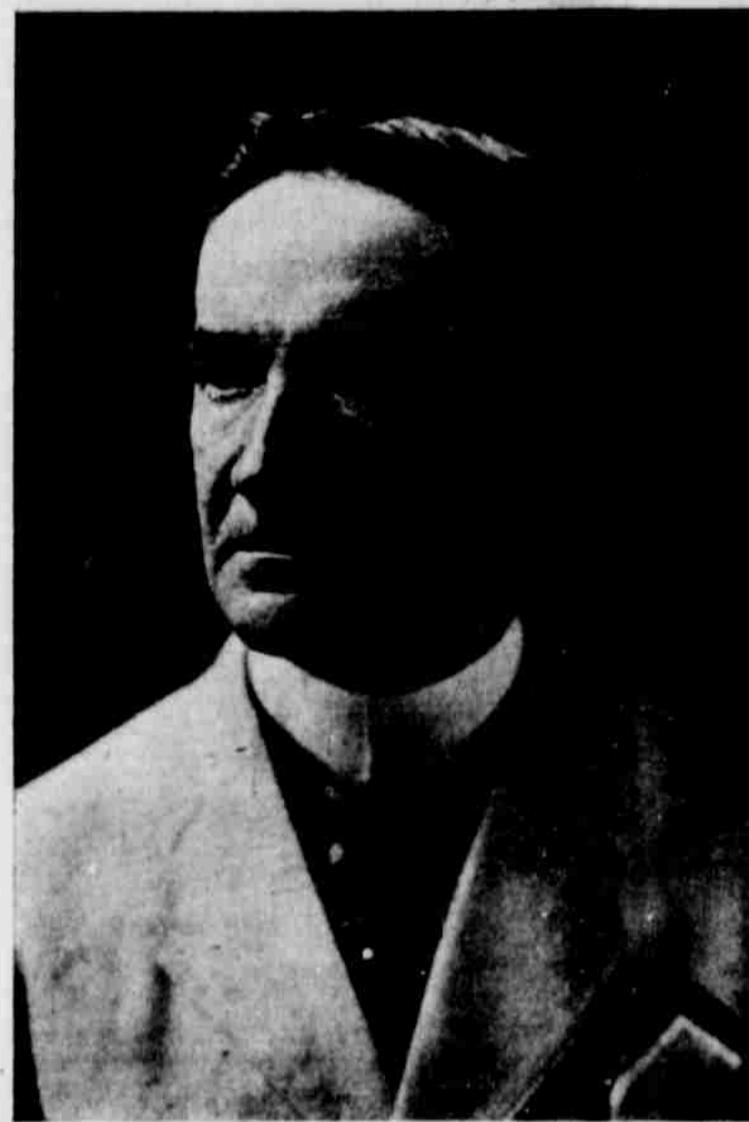


BOURNE DECLINES TO BE A CANDIDATE FOR SENATE

FORMER SENATOR CONTINUES WORK FOR FEDERAL AID TO HIGHWAYS INSTEAD OF SEEKING NOMINATION AT PRIMARIES

Washington, D. C., March 7. George Putnam, Medford, Ore.: With deep regret I feel obliged to announce that I shall not be a candidate in the republican primary for the United States senatorial nomination.



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BENTON SHOT WITHOUT TRIAL BY BODY GUARD

Constitutionalist Officer Asserts Englishman Was Shot While Engaged in Argument With Villa and Body Destroyed to Hide Crime.

Carranza Knows Facts and When Report Is Made Will Inflict Summary Punishment Upon Scapegoats

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Mar. 7.—William Benton was shot to death in General Villa's office by one of his bodyguards, without the formality of an arrest or trial before a court martial, according to the statement at Agua Prieta today of a constitutionalist officer who was at Juarez when the Benton affair occurred.

The officer further stated that transcripts of all testimony of defendants before Mexican court martials must be signed and sealed by the witness. He asserted that testimony purporting to have been given before a court martial by Benton does not bear his signature and was written by a constitutionalist officer after Benton was killed.

DROWN TRIAL GOES OVER UNTIL TUESDAY

OAKLAND, Cal., March 7.—With the resumption Tuesday of the trial of Mrs. Millie Drown, accused of murdering her husband, Archer Drown, it was understood today that more evidence would be offered in support of the defense's plea that the prisoner was mentally irresponsible at the time the shooting occurred.

COMPLETE PROBE OF COLORADO COAL STRIKE

DENVER, Colo., March 7.—The congressional investigators of Colorado's mine strike completed today their preparations to leave for the east in the morning. As a supplement to their inquiry in the coal fields, the committeemen had Adjutant General Chase before them today, got some additional information from ex-Sheriff Capp of Boulder county, and heard a few witnesses relative to strike conditions in the north.

RENO PLANS GREETING FOR ARMY OF HOBOES

RENO, NEV., March 7.—Authorities of Reno and Sparks met here this afternoon to consider ways of handling the unemployed army now at Sacramento, reported headed this way, en route to Washington. It was believed the officials would give the men a meal or two here and then send them on to Ogden, Utah, in box cars.

ENJOIN COLLECTION OF TAX PENALTIES UNDER NEW LAW

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 7.—Following Sheriff Word's refusal to accept a tender of \$278.10, representing state and school taxes for 1913 and city taxes for 1914, Roger Sinnott filed suit to enjoin County Treasurer Lewis from proceeding to collect taxes under the 1913 act and particularly to restrain him from collecting a penalty on second half payments that are not made before March 31.

HOBOES AND CROOKS COMPRISE ARMIES SAYS DETECTIVE

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 7.—Sacramento police and Sacramento county supervisors are at odds today as to whether the city or the county shall provide for the 2500 members of the unemployed army which landed here from San Francisco last night and early today.

JACK'S TENDERLOIN RESTAURANT CLOSED

NEW YORK, March 7.—Jack's, the tenderloin's most famous restaurant, was closed from 1 until 5 a. m. today for the first time in twenty-five years. Mayor Mitchell revoked its all-night license as a result of a fight incidental to the expulsion of three college students Thursday night by the establishment's widely known "flying wedge" of waiters.

\$40,000 THEFTS FROM PORTLAND DRY GOODS FIRM

Fleishner, Mayer & Co. Have Employees Arrested for Series of Stock Losses Extending Through Two Years—Others Implicated.

Sheets, Towels, Furnishings and Dry Goods of Every Kind in Loot—Several Employes Confess.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 7.—Wholesale thefts amounting to nearly \$40,000 from Fleishner, Mayer & Co., covering a period of two years, unearthed here by Constable Weinberger, led to the arrest early today of A. Howard, for thirty years chief stockman for the company, and Harry Estes, an employe of ten years' standing, on charges of larceny. With them were arrested half a dozen second-hand dealers and the proprietor of a lodging house, charged with receiving stolen property.

HUERTA PLANS TO MAKE MONEY TO SUPPLY SHORTAGE

MEXICO CITY, March 7.—Money being scarce, President Huerta was planning today to manufacture some of his own. His idea was to do it through the creation of a government bank, which was to issue immediately 400,000,000 pesos, or about \$200,000,000 of fiat currency. The decree creating the bank was ready and awaited only formal publication.

FEAR 18 PERISH IN STEAMER WRECK

NEW YORK, Mar. 7.—With the loss of the freight steamer Charlemagne over Junior, off Barnegat early today it was feared eighteen members of the vessel's crew lost their lives.

TEN THOUSAND GREET WILSON AT PHILADELPHIA

PHILADELPHIA, March 7.—Two thousand persons greeted President Wilson when he arrived here at 1:05 o'clock this afternoon. He went from the station to the oculist who examines his eyes once every year.

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LONE BANDIT ROBS SACRAMENTO BANK OF \$2000 AT NOON

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Mar. 7.—Walking into the Oak Park branch of the Sacramento Bank, a lone bandit, heavily armed and unmasked, held up Cashier Gordon Culver today and escaped with about \$2000 in cash. The robbery, one of the boldest in the history of Oak Park, was pulled off during the noon hour.

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THREE BIG LEAGUERS SIGN UP TO PLAY WITH OUTLAWS

NEW YORK, March 7.—Three more big league baseball players were signed up here today by the Federal league. The deserters from organized baseball were Mike Doolan, shortstop for the Philadelphia Nationals last season; Steve Evans of the St. Louis Cardinals and Vincent Campbell of the Boston Braves, all National league players.

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I. W. W. LEADER HELD FOR TRIAL ON CHARGE OF RIOTING

NEW YORK, March 7.—Frank Tannenbaum, leader of the throng of unemployed who invaded St. Alphonsus church Wednesday evening, was held to the grand jury today in \$7500 bail, charged with rioting. Two of his followers were sentenced to a month's imprisonment each, and the trials of more of them were still in progress in Jefferson Market police court. The defendants were doing all they could to prolong the proceedings in order to hamper the court as much as possible.

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SQUABBLE OVER CHOICE OF REFEREE FOR RITCHIE FIGHT

CHICAGO, March 7.—The squabble over a referee for the Willie Ritchie-Ad Wolgast ten-round bout to be staged in Milwaukee next Thursday evening, was still on today. The champion flatly announced that there would be no fight if Promoter Tom S. Andrews insisted that Harry Stout, the club's official referee, acted. Ritchie's stand is caused by criticism heaped upon Stout following the White-Wolgast affair and the Wolgast-Rivers clash. Ritchie and his manager say Stout is "too friendly to Wolgast."

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FARRISS EXECUTION DELAYED BY APPEAL

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Mar. 7.—No date has been set for the action of the appellate court upon the appeal of the case of Ralph Fariss, the Southern Pacific bandit-murderer, according to announcement here today. Fariss' execution was set for March 6, but it was delayed automatically when his attorneys appealed immediately after the passing of sentence. Fariss, who is in the San Quentin penitentiary, shot and killed Horace E. Montague on a train which he held up near El Monte.

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